

REPORT of 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi at ICAR-ATARI, Zone-VII

On the eve of 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the ICAR-ATARI, Zone-VII, Umiam celebrated the Gandhi Jainti on 2nd October, 2019 at its office premises. The programme was attended by students and teachers of nearby schools, staff of the institute under the leadership of Dr. Bidyut C. Deka, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Zone-VII.

The programme kicked off with a welcome speech by the AAO (i/c) of the institute to the all the participants including students and teachers of the participating schools and all the staffs of the institute. A quiz competition on the life of Mahatma Gandhi was conducted by the institute and participated by the students of MeECL Higher Secondary School, Umiam.



After the quiz competition, activities such as Beat Boxing and dancing were performed as special items by the talented students of the participated school.



Keeping in view of this years' theme on Swachhta Hi Seva Campaign, 2019, "Say No to Single Use Plastics" the institute provided refreshments served in indigenous bio-degradable plates, bowls and spoons made out of the bark of betel-nut tree etc., which was highly appreciated by the one and all.



After the refreshments, all the participants gathered in the hall of the institute where the director delivered his speech on Swachhta Hi Seva, 2019 and briefly emphasised on the life and teachings of Gandhiji. He further urged upon the students on maintaining the cleanliness of the environment for future generation especially by doing their own small part which will eventually play a vital role towards sustaining the environment. Furthermore, the closing remarks were addressed by Dr. A.K. Singha, Principal Scientist, ICAR-ATARI, Zone-VII, Umiam and he gave thanks to all the participants and organizers for a successful programme.



Distribution of prizes to the winners of different competitions was also done after the programme.

